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AMENDMENT

The Applicant is responding to the office action dated August 7, 2003.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 10.

Written Request Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3):

Please accept this authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time for its timely submission as though the reply incorporates a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. No extension of time is believed to be presently required.